

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO FOR  
CONSULTING SERVICES**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve entering into an agreement with the University of Chicago to provide consulting services to the Chief Education Office at a cost not to exceed \$135,000. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of its past experience in surveying Chicago Public Schools stakeholders, both students and teachers, regarding school organization, instructional quality, perceptions of the school environment, and academic achievement. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided and no payment shall be made to Consultant prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

**CONSULTANT:** The University of Chicago  
5801 S. Ellis Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60637  
(773) 702-3364  
Contact Person: Dr. John Q. Easton  
Vendor #33123

**USER:** Chief Education Office  
125 S. Clark Street – 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Chicago, Illinois 60603  
Contact Person: Dr. Barbara Eason-Watkins  
(773) 553-1490

**TERM:** The term of this agreement shall commence on May 1, 2007 and shall end April 30, 2008. This agreement shall have two (2) options to renew for periods of one year each at a cost to be negotiated at the time of renewal.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:** The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Consultant will conduct surveys of approximately 28,000 teachers, 180,000 students and 600 principals in May 2007. Consultant will print surveys, manage survey administration, analyze survey results, and report results to schools. This is the Consultant's tenth system-wide survey and will include questions about school organization, human resources, literacy instruction, social support for student learning, and parent and community resources.

**DELIVERABLES:** Consultant will create and print system-wide and individual school reports of the survey results.

**OUTCOMES:** Consultant's services will result in confidential, individualized school reports for participating schools that (1) describe schools in terms of 33 different measures of school development; (2) show how schools compare to demographically similar schools and schools system-wide and (3) present trends that illustrate how schools have improved over time

**COMPENSATION:** Consultant shall be paid upon receipt of deliverables and upon the submission of appropriate invoices total sum not to exceed \$135,000.

**REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:** None.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Chief Education Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Pursuant to section 5.2 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) this contract are exempt from review because the vendor is a division within a university.

**LSC REVIEW:** Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to City-wide Education Support Services: \$135,000      Fiscal Year: 2007  
Budget Classification: 11210-115-54125-262402-000149  
Source of Funds: General Education

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

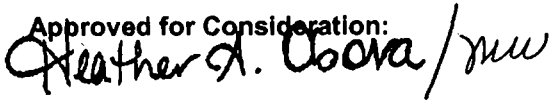
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

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Heather Obora  
Chief Purchasing Officer

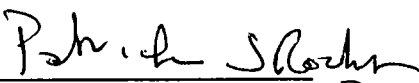
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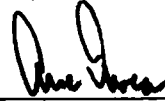
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John Maiorca  
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:



  
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Patrick J. Rocks  
General Counsel

Approved:



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Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer